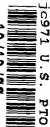


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Docket No.: 34645-00526USPX
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re patent application of: Heino HAMELEERS et al.

For: METHOD FOR TRANSPORTING PHYSICAL OBJECTS, TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM AND TRANSPORTATION MEANS

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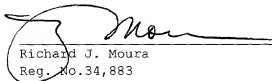
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